





...in three months the rifle was put to a test and won against all rivals. In designing the figure the details on the margin of the figure were rigidly adhered to.

**THE DELIBERATE BLUNDER OF TELLER.**  
The Chicago Tribune. Senator Teller announces accordingly that—  
"We were told during the campaign that the era of prosperity would begin as soon as the election was over. If the predicted prosperity has appeared on the horizon I have failed to see it."  
Senator Teller will not see because he does not want to see. Nearly all business was paralyzed from June 15 to Nov. 4, owing to the fear that the Demo-Pop candidate whom Teller favored might be elected.  
All the men engaged in business pursuits knew that Bryan's success would be followed by a dreadful panic, a general lack of employment, a collapse of one-half in the value of the silver and paper currency, and a contraction of the currency by two-thirds, as measured by its purchasing or business power.  
Intelligent men knew that if Bryan won three or four million men would be thrown out of work and would have to look in vain for many months to get employment so as to keep their destitute wives and children from starvation.  
The conviction that all these things would happen if the revolutionary candidate of a dishonest party were elected daunted American industry for four and a half months. But Bryan and Bryanism were defeated in November, and Teller knows that a happy change has taken place since then. He is not unaware of the wonderful restoration of confidence, and of the resumption and enlargement of business and industry even at the commencement of the winter season. Several hundred thousand more men are at work now than there were a day or a week or a month before the defeat of Bryan and the destructive schemes of Teller and his mining camp constituents.  
Is Teller unaware of the advance in the price of stocks and bonds, and of the increase in the volume of bank deposits and loans? Does he not know that there is a market for real estate now; that the owners of money will loan it on real estate security; that in every city plans are being drawn for new buildings to be put up next spring; that railroad business has improved; that the storekeepers are selling more goods of all kinds and are buying more from the wholesalers?  
Amazing progress has been made on the road to prosperity since Nov. 3. Every intelligent man is aware of it, and if he is honest will admit it. Teller is intelligent, but not honest, so he does not admit it.  
If the next congress in session does its duty—as it will in spite of Teller's protests—the time will soon be as good as they were during the fourteen years preceding the 16th of March, 1893. Every intelligent man is aware of it, and if he is honest will admit it. Teller is intelligent, but not honest, so he does not admit it.

**Free Pills.**  
Send your address to H. E. Hicken Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by West, Druggist.

The Pekin G. A. R. post has for many years rented quarters over Captain Behren's store. At times differences have occurred between the post and Behrens as to the holding of a flag on the building by the owner. The flag went up the day Altgeld visited Pekin during the campaign, and some comrades objected. The rooms have again been leased and it is expected that Behrens may host his flag whenever he chooses.

"Excuse me," observed the man in spectacles, "but I am a surgeon, and that is not where the liver is." "Never you mind where the liver is," retorted the other. "If it was in his big toe or left ear De Witt's Little Early Remedy would reach it and shake it for him. On that you can bet your gig lamps." A. J. Stoner & Son and Armstrong Bros.

The Gibson Enterprise claims that the state is making a profit out of the Soldiers' Home at Quincy. The government pays the state \$25 per quarter for each inmate while the actual cost is only \$24.45. Thus the state nets 50 cents per quarter for each of the 1000 veterans, yet they were never better housed nor fed.

**For Hoarseness.**  
Benj. Ingerson, of Hutton, Ind., says he had not spoken above a whisper for months, and one bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar restored his voice. It is used very largely by speakers and singers. Neisler Drug and Supply Co., and N. L. Krohn.

Samuel Starks, postmaster at Milledgeville, has been missing for a week or longer. The Danville Commercial says: His bondsmen could find no trace of him and took charge of the office. It is said that when Starks found that he was running behind he sought to retrieve himself by speculating on the board of trade and lost more.

The person who disturbed the congregation last Sunday by coughing is requested to call on the Neisler Drug and Supply Co. or N. L. Krohn and get a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar which always gives relief.

The body of a man recently found in a barn near Gardner, has been identified as that of Axel Agard, formerly employed on the farm of T. Ahern, near Campus. Agard was a steady young man of quiet disposition, but was considered of unsound mind.

**Booklen's Arnica Salve.**  
The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Burned Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chills, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A. West, the Druggist.

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| Gent's Linen Initial Hdks. .... 20c and 25c                        | See the beautiful line of Ladies' Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs, at..... 25c, 33c, 38c, 50c, 65c, 75c, 95c |
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What will make your wife a nicer present than a new Dress Pattern? Good selection here in Black, Colors and Fancy Novelties.

Fancy Towels and Table Cloths in big variety. You price them elsewhere and find out. Our prices not much more than one-half what others ask.

Bed Spreads and Blankets all decorated with LOW PRICES to please the purchaser.

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MILLINERY department is full of pretty things in Ladies, and Children's Hats, Bonnets, Fascinators, Caps, Tams, Toques, and every kind of headwear to make you feel comfortable.

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I will Sell Groceries FOR CASH at the Following Low Prices:

10 lbs. Navy Beans..... 25c	Golden Rio and Santos Coffee, per lb. 30c
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Tomatoes, Tip Top Brand..... 5c	Splendid Coffee, per lb. .... 15c
Corn, per can..... 7c, 8c, 9c doz.	Sauer Kraut, per gallon..... 25c
Golden Rio and Santos Coffee, per lb. 30c	Homemade Mince Meat, 3 lbs..... 25c
The Old Reliable Combination, per lb. 30c	2 gal. Buckets Syrup..... 80c
Splendid Coffee, per lb. .... 15c	Silver Drips Syrup, per gal..... 80c
Sauer Kraut, per gallon..... 25c	4 packages American Rolled Oats..... 25c
Homemade Mince Meat, 3 lbs..... 25c	Bulk Oat Meal, 3c per lb.; 10 lbs. for 25c
2 gal. Buckets Syrup..... 80c	Cranberries, 2 quarts 15c; 4 quarts, 25c
Silver Drips Syrup, per gal..... 80c	Oyster Crackers, per lb. .... 5c
4 packages American Rolled Oats..... 25c	Calumet Family Soap, 9 bars..... 25c
Bulk Oat Meal, 3c per lb.; 10 lbs. for 25c	Vegetable Oil Soap, 16 oz. bars, 6 for 25c
Cranberries, 2 quarts 15c; 4 quarts, 25c	Sugar, Spices, Teas, New Raisins, Prunes, and 1,000 other necessities—in fact, anything in our line at REDUCED PRICES.

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**SPECIAL PRICES FOR THE HOLIDAYS.**  
Lowney's Chocolate Bon Bons..... 50c lb. box  
Chocolate and Cream Bon Bons..... 35c lb. box  
As good as sold elsewhere at 40c and 50c.  
Cream Mixed with Nut Fruits..... 25c lb. box  
Best value to the city.  
Assorted Cream Bon Bons..... 15c lb.  
And the largest assortment of 10c mixed in the city.  
Gum Drops..... 5c lb.  
New Nuts, Figs and Dates.  
Nut Treats of All Kinds.  
NEW MIXED NUTS, 10c POUND.  
Bought and mixed by myself this season.  
Christmas Tree ornaments, Candelsticks, Candles and Novelties in fancy boxes.

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is what every housewife wants. Makes the most bread, the whitest bread, the best bread.  
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1 peck Onions.....  
2 dozen Pickles.....  
1 good Broom.....  
10 pounds Best Beans.....  
1 pound Best Country Butter.....  
4 pounds Best Pure Lard.....  
3-pound can Table Peaches.....  
3-pound can Table Peaches.....  
3-pound can Green Gauge.....  
3-pound can Apricots.....  
2-pound can Sweet Corn.....  
2-pound can Stringless Beans.....  
2-pound can Early June Peas.....  
2-pound can Red Kidney Beans.....  
10c package Corn Starch.....  
10c Can Lye.....  
1 pound Broken Java Coffee.....  
1 pound Good Java Coffee.....  
1 pound Good Large Prunes.....  
15-pound Pail any kind Jelly.....  
5 Pound Pail Jelly.....  
2 gallon Pail Table Syrup.....  
1 gallon Table Syrup.....  
1 peck Walnuts.....  
Fresh Pork Sausage, per lb.....  
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1 pound Mixed Table Nuts.....  
2 pound cake Limburger Cheese.....  
Brick Cheese, per lb.....  
1 pound Mixed Christmas Candy.....

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Fine Potatoes, per bushel.....	24c
1 peck Onions.....	13c
1 dozen Pickles.....	5c
1 good Broom.....	9c
10 pounds Best Beans.....	24c
1 pound Best Country Butter.....	15c
4 pounds Best Pure Lard.....	25c
1 pound can Table Peaches.....	12c
3 pound can Table Peaches.....	12c
3 pound can Green Gauge Plums.....	12c
1 pound can Appricots.....	12c
2 pound can Sweet Corn.....	6c
2 pound can Stringless Beans.....	5c
2 pound can Early June Peas.....	7c
2 pound can Red Kidney Beans.....	6c
10 package Corn Starch.....	5c
10 Can Lye.....	5c
1 pound Broken Java Coffee.....	14c
1 pound good Java Coffee.....	18c
1 pound Good Large Prunes.....	7c
1 pound Pail any kind Jelly.....	45c
3 pound Pail Jelly.....	19c
2 gallon Pail Table Syrup.....	8c
1 quart Table Syrup.....	8c
1 gallon Cooking Molasses.....	12c
1 peck Walnuts.....	12c
1 peck Pork Steak, per lb.....	7c
1 peck Pork Steak, per lb.....	6c
1 peck Mixed Table Nuts.....	10c
2 pound cake Limberger Cheese.....	30c
1 peck Cheese, per lb.....	13c
1 pound Mixed Christmas Candy.....	7c

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FOR ANY  
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UNTIL DECEMBER 25.

It is a well known fact that we never "make two bites at a cherry." When we feel the necessity for heroic action we stop not to count the cost. Such a time is at hand, such an emergency faces us, and we therefore offer SUITS and OVERCOATS until Dec. 25th at the measly pittance of \$10 for absolute unpreserved pick and choice of our whole stock. First to come gets best pick and choice.

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221 North Water Street.

### LOCAL NEWS.

Dance at Brennan's hall tonight.  
Palgrave's Notes for 1897 for 65c at Saxton's book store.

Only two days more and then comes Christmas.

Children's books at cut prices at Saxton's book store.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

Fine cigars for the holidays, \$1 per box at West's drug store.

Felt boots and overs at Waggoner & Co.'s for \$1.90.

High grade cigars, \$1 per box, for presents at West's drug store.

The butchers, as usual, have an extra quality of fine Christmas hoves on the blocks this week.

Cigars by the box for Christmas and New Years at West's drug store.

Mama eats a Cascaret, baby gets the benefit. Cascarets make mother's milk mildly purgative.

The Leo Ebert room on North Water street is being flled up in good shape to be occupied by a milliner.

Irwin's Harmless headache powders are guaranteed to cure any headache.

The members of Chevalier Bayard lodge, Knights of Pythias, will meet tonight in the castle hall in Library block.

What's the matter with you? Constipated? Cascarets will cure. Eat, them like candy.

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weiland are the best in town. Each 25-cit

Edwin Russell, the promoter of feminine minstrel shows, has gone to Bloomington where he hopes to have better luck.

Just before going to bed eat a Cascaret candy cathartic. Makes you feel fine in the morning.

A bald eagle measuring six feet from tip to tip of wing was killed near Washington, Ill., last Friday.

The K. P. dedicating team will meet tomorrow evening for rehearsal. Let every member be present promptly at 7 o'clock.

The ladies of the Eastern Star will give a birthday entertainment at Masonic temple on Monday, Dec. 28, to the Masonic fraternity and their friends.

The Columbus White Lumber yard and agricultural implement house at Taylorville was destroyed by fire Monday afternoon. Loss, \$15,000; insurance, \$10,000.

Rev. D. F. Howe will preach the first anniversary sermon in the Charleston M. E. church. The new church was finished a year ago and the first anniversary day will be fittingly celebrated.

Great bargains in holiday goods at A. J. Wallace's, 551 North Water street. Albums, manure sets, collar and cuff boxes, crest wave blades all styles, Episcopal prayer books, children's and miscellaneous books, games, dolls, etc., best bargains in the city. Call and see at 551 North Water street—18-46

John Athey and George Francis, two young men arrested on a charge of being implicated in the theft of a lap robe from Ed Kretzler had a hearing before Justice Hardy yesterday and were placed under bonds of \$100 each to await the action of the grand jury. Two other young men who had a hand in taking the robe were released on a bail sentence from Judge Hamner in the county court last week.

No hotter soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hardest of any coal within 100 miles of Decatur and the harder the coal the longer it will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in stock at market price. Up town office, Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800 North Broadway, old phone 433, new phone 435. M. P. Mote.—21-dt

Since the corn husking season began Henry Milke, of Mahomet township, a lad of 17 years, has husked and cribbed 4344 bushels of corn. He husked this amount in 38 days, making an average of over 114 for the entire time, going a distance of 13 miles to and from the field for the last seven days. He not only husked but scooped it into the crib. This corn was cribbed on D. A. Phillips' farm in Henaley.

The relatives present at the funeral of the late Mrs. J. B. Nowlin in Austin township on Saturday were J. A. Nowlin and family, S. R. Nowlin, Robert Johnson of Latham, G. D. Applegate and family, A. G. Curry and family of Holdrege, Neb., William Rowe and family of Jacksonville, John Sykes of Bright, Ind., Mrs. Lou James of Farmer City, Charles Applegate of Maroa. Mrs. Mary Shinkle, another relative, could not get here for the funeral, but arrived from Higginsport, Ohio, Monday.

\$100 Reward \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

### GOSSIP AT THE CAPITAL.

Buck Hinrichsen for Senator—The Inaugural Ceremonies.

You can hear all sorts of talk at Springfield, says the News, as to the senatorial contest, but the most amusing chatter is that which comes from the Democrats.

Buck for Senator.

Dennis J. Hogan, of Geneva, Frank Quinn of Peoria, and Joe S. Martin of Chicago, members of the Democratic state central committee; Robert E. Burke, secretary of the Cook county committee, and Judge Alschuler of Aurora, member of the court of claims and representative elect, were in Springfield Monday and called upon Governor Altgeld. Mr. Hogan stated that their visit had no political significance. He was non-committal in regard to the matter of chairman of the state central committee, saying that he has not heard it discussed. When asked about the minority candidate for United States senator he said that he was until "Buck" Hinrichsen would be thus honored, as Governor Altgeld told him that he was not a candidate. Judge Alschuler, who was perhaps in a pre-election dream, asked how "Buck" could hold two offices, as he was elected congressman from the Sixteenth district. Hogan replied that it did not matter, as he could not be elected anyway.

For the Inaugural.

The executive committee in charge of the inaugural ceremonies of the governor-elect held a meeting at the Leland. Mr. Miller Weir of Jacksonville; Mr. L. C. Denton of Chicago, and Lieutenant Laas of the Second regiment, also met with the committee. The Second and Fifth regiments, the Champaign cadets from the University of Illinois, a battalion of the militia from Alton, Knights Templar, K. of P., Patrons of the Plow and large numbers of uniformed civic organizations will participate in the parade, as well as many others yet to hear from. A reviewing stand will be erected on the south side of the court house square, upon which will be stationed the state officers elect, members of the legislature, etc. The line of march has not been definitely decided upon, but the parade will probably start about 11 o'clock. Another meeting of the committees will be held next Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Elected Officers.

At the regular meeting of Herwood division No. 71, O. R. C., in K. P. hall in opera block Sunday afternoon the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Chief Conductor—James Crawshaw.

Assistant Conductor—W. J. Harding.

Senior Conductor—A. L. Robinson.

Junior Conductor—F. W. Wood.

Inside Sentinel—M. H. Foshman.

Outside Sentinel—Charles Damsigen.

A. L. Robinson was elected as a delegate to the grand division to be held in Los Angeles, Cal., May 11, next year, with W. J. Harding as alternate. Assistant Grand Chief C. H. Wilkins of Chicago, was present and conducted the installation.

Sadie Mason.

America's representative of rough sourette characters, and at one time principal of the Mason and Downing Co. who for years starred the country in nobody's claque, and later starred in the Kentucky Girl, with her own company has been especially engaged for the J. C. Lewis, St. Plunkard Co., for the sourette role of Dora Page, and will also be seen in her well known and pleasing specialties next Wednesday night, Dec. 23.

The Endowment Bank.

The regular annual meeting of members of Section 181, Endowment bank, Knights of Pythias, will be held Saturday evening, Dec. 26, at 8 o'clock at 125 South Water street. W. P. Shade, president; J. H. Young, secretary.

50 Cents

Buys a one-dollar largest size wooden street car this week at out store.

E. D. Bartholomew Co.

### COUNCIL MEETING.

A Bill of \$1990 for Extra Work on the Broadway Sewer

IS PRESENTED BY S. W. TUTTLE

And Creates Much Discussion on the Part of the Aldermen—Curfew Ordinance Was Referred to a Committee.

When the council meeting was called to order last night there were five absent members, but they came in one by one until there was a full attendance. The discussion of sewer business occupied most of the time. Contractor Tuttle presented bills for extra work on the Fourth ward sewer but before they were allowed them and consumed considerable time talking about the matter. The curfew ordinance which has attracted the notice of the public was referred to the ordinance committee. It is probable that the ordinance will be passed by the council at the next meeting. The business of the meeting in detail was as follows:

Petitions.

Joseph P. Smallwood sent a communication to the council in which he said that an overcoat was stolen from Edward Potter, who has left the state, and has been recovered by the city marshal. Smallwood claims Potter is indebted to him and that the marshal refuses to give him the coat. The matter was referred to the finance committee and city attorney.

A. J. Thompson asked permission to sell a patent suspenders on the streets. Granted.

W. M. Marshall was given permission to sell goods from a wagon at the corner of South Water and Main streets.

Repairs.

Marshal Mason reported that fifty arrests had been made during the month and \$119.40 paid to city treasurer.

City Attorney Lee recommended that C. M. Tule be paid a rebate of \$1.75 on a sewer assessment. Adopted.

City Engineer Burgess reported that the sewer in the alley between the I. D. & W. and East Eldorado street from Jasper street east and laterals were complete and ready for acceptance.

Mr. Gogerty talked on the question. He said there was a question as to whether the sewers were to be accepted and claimed the sewer was not accepted according to the ordinance. Mr. Burgess said that part of the sewer could not be accepted because it was built in quicksand. The report was referred to the public improvement committee.

The finance committee approved the liquor bonds of Alois Young and Charles Kincaid. Bonds were approved by the council and licenses issued.

The committee to which was referred the building of a sewer in the alley first north of Lealand avenue commencing at Jasper street sewer, recommended that it not be built.

The public improvement committee reported unfavorably on the extension of the sewer in the alley between Wood and East Main streets to Franklin street.

Sullivan Burgess reported that curbing on North Water street was ready for acceptance. Report was adopted.

The public improvement committee recommended that Dempsey & Giffin be allowed a bill of \$11 for work on Maryland street paving. The report was adopted.

Extra Sewer Work.

Contractor Tuttle presented bills as follows for extra work on the Fourth ward sewer: For removing dirt, \$943.81; for

brick work, \$688.05; for taking up and putting down pipes, \$895.50. The public improvement committee recommended the payment of the bills except that the brick work be paid for at \$8 or \$10 per thousand. Mr. Gogerty said that according to the contract there was to be no extra work on the sewer. He thought the taxpayers were being bled for all they had and that it was about time to stop having extra work on contracts. Mr. Thayer said all the extra work that had been done was directed by the public improvement committee. Mr. Simpson, the chairman of the committee, said they had figured the brick work on what they thought were the present prices but found they had figured too low. No extra work had been done except what was necessary. Gogerty then kept on talking about his objections to the sewer until he was called down. Mr. Carter said that part of the bill was all right but the rest he knew nothing about. Mr. Montgomery said when the route was taken through the cemetery the city agreed to remove the dirt to pay for the right of way, so that the bill for removing the dirt should not be counted as part of the contract. The public improvement committee was authorized to have the dirt removed when the sewer was started and Mr. Tuttle was employed to do the work because he could do it cheaper than anyone else. Mr. Carter moved that the matter be referred to the public improvement committee but this was lost. The vote and motion to order the bill paid was 11 ayes and three nays, Carter, Gogerty and Hill voting nay.

Cost of Sewer Repairs.

The following were the bills for the repairing of the Broadway sewer: Sand, \$10.45; cement, \$112.81; brick, \$312.68; Randall & Troutman, \$347.02; T. H. Richardson, balance due on contract \$175; extra work, \$6.80. The bills were ordered paid.

A bill of H. S. Gohlart of \$28.92 for extra sewer work was ordered paid.

The Curfew Ordinance.

The clerk read for the first time the curfew ordinance. It provides that children under 16 years of age shall not be allowed on the streets or public places after 8 p. m. in the winter and 9 p. m. in the summer except when employed. The fine is imposed at not less than \$1 and not more than \$10. A vote to lay on the table was lost and it was referred to the ordinance committee.

Resolutions.

By Montgomery: That the name of South Green street be changed to Ewing avenue. Adopted.

By Hill and Carter: That the street superintendent be instructed to bring the boulevard to the sidewalk grade on the north side of Jackson street between Eldorado street and the alley west.

THE FELLOWSHIP CLUB.

Election of Officers—Preparing for a Musical New Year's Eve.

At a business meeting held Saturday night of the Fellowship dancing club the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Will Shorb.

Secretary—J. L. Hedrick.

Treasurer—James Stumpt.

Collector—Hal Snyder.

Board of Directors—Will Shorb, J. L. Hedrick, George Weaver, Dr. O. G. Collins, Ben Freeman.

Musical.

The members of this club who participated numbered thirty and gave very pleasant dancing parties at Guard's Armory over Thursday night, are planning to give a musical entertainment at the armory on New Year's eve. The young men are energetic and up to date in every thing that pertains to good fellowship and they anticipate a specially good time next week when they will entertain a number of invited guests.

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CHRISTMAS MATINEE AND NIGHT

The Famous Flints to Appear at Grand Moving Picture.

Manager Given has secured the Flints—Magnificent combination Christmas afternoon and night at Grand. The Flints are the popular

notables. They have been packing the at Peoria. The Herald of that city

No such show was ever given in city for the money. It was one continuous laugh from the moment petite

Flint took the stage after her father through with his forty five minutes of work more serious in its character.

Flint fairly excelled herself in the number of scenes she presented and the number of subjects she handled. The man's right speech by two of them, most amusing. The live baby

brought the house down. The speed of her work is most convincing and childish, sweet ways, captured the essence as well as it seems to the subject.

The closing scene where five men piled upon one another like cordwood, doctor posing his 200 pounds on the most one, simply caused the audience hold their breath in awe. Then

placed one man in that position and men stood upon him weighing some pounds all told. To clap the climax

Marion Flint was thrown into the air and held up by her father and then to close their already long and interesting program the Magnificent moving pictures, a marvelous piece of work and a most taking feature already shown.

Five scenes presented, the first being "Taking the Grand Boulevard," the second, "Two come in an evening western race," the third, "Bewery marker shop," fourth, "Grand Boulevard," fifth, "Morning Bath," and the little pickaninny did not seem to enjoy it.

Gallagher Elected Lieutenant.

There were thirty-seven members of Decatur Guards, Co. H. I. N. G., at meeting held at the armory last night elect a first lieutenant to succeed T. Loveland, resigned. There were no nominations. Major W. F. Collins had detailed to preside at the election and did so. After all had voted it was found that Arthur J. Gallagher had received a majority of the votes and he was elected first lieutenant. Mr. Gallagher sent for a box of cigars and all had a smoke. Last spring Gallagher resigned as an officer of the company. His election is alone proof of popularity among the company members.

Was Caught Near Decatur.

Springfield Journal: George Rodgers was arrested early yesterday morning placed in jail as a delinquent person. Several days ago Rodgers left this city went to Decatur to visit relatives. When he wandered from the house he was found several miles east of Decatur. He was brought home last night. Shortly after his arrival home he grew wild and threatened to kill his family. Police were notified and brought him to jail. He resides on South Eleventh street. Rodgers has been to the asylum at Jacksonville on two previous occasions.

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### FIGHT WITH HATPINS.

New York Policemen Dread This New-Fangled Weapon.

Two Desperate Female Characters Use It So Viciously and Cleverly That Gotham's Fly Cops Hate to Arrest Them.

What weapon is most dreaded by the New York police? Ask a policeman of the Tenderloin precinct the question and he will promptly reply:

"The hatpin."

Yes, it's a fact. The metropolitan police fear the slender, insignificant hatpin more than they do pistols, shotguns, knives, dynamite or Roosevelt.

"Hatpin Mary" and "Hatpin Liz" are names which are comparatively new in police annals, but already their mention suggests mighty unpleasant business to the bluecoats.

These women, of course, get their nicknames from the weapon they use in fighting and resisting arrest—the hatpin—which they have demonstrated may be made a most formidable weapon. It can be snatched from the hat and thrust into the person more unexpectantly than any other stabbing implement, and the long, slender steel pin is sure to penetrate deep, causing an ugly wound at best.

It is at the eyes that these women usually aim, with the evident intention of gouging them out. Blood-poisoning is also very apt to set in if the pin is rusty.

"Hatpin Mary" and "Hatpin Liz" are but two of a large number of women who have recently adopted the hatpin as a weapon. In fact, its use has lately become common among the dissolute creatures of the Tenderloin, who find it a powerful ally in baffling the repeated attempts of the policemen to arrest them.

Nowadays when a Tenderloin policeman arrests a woman, says the New



RESISTING ARREST

York World, he stays as far away from her as possible on the way to the station house, and keeps his eye out for hatpins. To find the presence of a hatpin towards her hat or feeling of her back hair is cause for alarm.

Before the days of these hatpin-jubbers became familiar to the police it was in patrol wagons that they did their most dreadful work. There at night, shrouded by darkness, they were able to get out the pins from their hair unnoted and jab at will among their captives. Many a policeman attached to the West Thirtieth and West Thirty-seventh street stations has ugly scars on his body, received in this way. One woman jabbed a long hatpin into the abdomen of Patrolman Thompson, of the Nineteenth precinct. Inflammation set in and the wound caused him great pain for many days.

Mary McGovern is the real name of the woman better known as "Hatpin Mary." During the past few weeks she has been "doing time" in the workhouse on account of her latest escapade. Policeman Essig, of the West Thirty-seventh street station, was her victim. He found her on Porrieth street using vile language and indulging in high-kicking. He took her into custody and once she had resisted all her efforts to gouge out his eyes with her hatpin while on the way to the station house. While her name, age, etc., were being taken by Sgt. C. Call, she stealthily drew a long, steel pin from her hair and with a quick movement struck at Essig's eyes. He saw her just in time, dodged, and the pin just grazed his forehead, leaving a long, red scratch.

Policeman William Milnehey, of the West Thirtieth street station, had a similar experience with "Hatpin Liz" a few nights ago. She resisted arrest, and while struggling with the policeman jabbed at his eyes with her hatpin, missed, but left a bad scratch on his neck.

Thought It Was an Insect.

She wore her hat very far down over her eyes. It was a very large hat, and its proud decoration was a bunch of bird of paradise tail feathers. She came into church with the most devout air imaginable and knelt for a moment in silent prayer. The bald-headed man just in front of her twitched uneasily. His head moved from side to side. He lifted one hand and brought it smartly down on the top of his bald head and the tips of my lady's bird of paradise feathers which had been tickling it. After that a very red-faced woman sat bolt upright in her pew, while a bald-headed man just in front turned purple, and what in any other place would have been a snicker ran through the congregation.

Whistling Aids Detection.

"Whistling for half an hour after meals is," says Mrs. Alice Shaw, the lady whistler, "the best possible aid to digestion. Try it, weak-chested, slender-throated sisters mine, and profit by my experience."

Fine Paid with Frog.

At New Augustine, Fla., the mayor, sitting as a magistrate, accepted five dollars from a negro culprit as security for his appearance at a fine.

The Gibson Enterprise claims that the state is making a profit out of the Soldiers' Home at Quincy. The government pays the state \$25 per quarter for each inmate while the actual cost is only \$24.45. Thus the state nets 50 cents per quarter for each of the 1000 veterans, yet they were never better housed or fed.

The body of a man recently found in a barn near Gardner, has been identified as that of Axel Agard, formerly employed on the farm of J. A. Ahern, near Campus Agard was a sturdy young man of quiet disposition, but was considered of unusual mind.

### WILD BIRDS ON HIGH ROOFS.

Nighthawks Lay Eggs on the Tops of Chicago's Skyscrapers.

The flat roofs of ten and fifteen story buildings may seem queer places for a colony of wild birds to choose for nesting purposes, especially when those birds have been accustomed to nest in open fields ever since the first pair were let out of the ark, but that is just what has occurred to a big flock of nighthawks that can be seen every evening high in the air over the downtown district.

Whether the gravel roofs are so thick that the queer bird has mistaken them for real fields, or whether their great height and their inaccessibility to small boys were the inducements, it is nevertheless true that almost every skyscraper in the city in the downtown district is just now lodging a family of tenants on its roof who do not pay rent.

In his natural haunts the nighthawk, who is the first cousin of the whippoorwill, and a member of the goat-sucker family, lays its two odd looking eggs on the bare ground in an open field. It makes no nest whatever, and that is the reason why egg collectors find it so hard to discover. The eggs are so thickly covered with dirty brown spots that when the bird has risen the eggs are frequently stepped on before they are seen. It may be this that has driven the flock of birds to raise their families where nobody ever expects the junior, who is commonly supposed never to see anything.

The nighthawks are not very particular what part they choose for a nesting site, and it is as common to find them in the middle of the roof exposed to the rain and storm, as in the shelter of a chimney or projecting wall. It is all the same to the bird whether it rains or shines, for his plumage is so thick that water runs off his back just as it does from a duck, and the mother bird frequently leaves her eggs uncovered when the day is warm for long intervals without any serious damage.

The color of the bird is so nearly like that of the spot where the eggs are placed that a person with more than an average sharp sight may stand within three feet of the sitting bird and not see it. When one of the birds is flushed from a roof, however, there is a surprise party for the fluster, for at the first note which the bird utters after rising, every bird within hearing distance is up and away, and it is usually several hours before they will return to their haunts no matter how slight the original disturbance may have been. Usually only one family occupies the same roof, but it is surprising how many birds may be flushed in this way. On any cloudy evening the cries of fifty of these strange birds may be heard by standing on any corner of the downtown streets.

Nobody has ever found out how the birds are taught to fly from the top of a fifteen story building, but it seems probable that their first lessons consist of short trips within the boundaries of the gravel roof where they were hatched.

During the hottest part of the summer days the birds who have no families of their own take care of sit with their big black eyes half closed on the edge of some projecting wall, ready to launch themselves off into space at the first alarm. Unlike other birds the nighthawk never roosts crosswise of a limb or branch, but perches parallel with it, probably because its feet are not strong enough to hold on tightly.

The nighthawk, like the whippoorwill, does not rest until late, and it is now the height of the nesting season for the flock which has taken up its residence in Chicago. Thus far only a few nests have been disturbed by the egg collector, and as the janitors of tall buildings are not disposed to let meddlesome boys upon the roofs where the birds are it is quite probable that most of the young birds which are just now coming from the eggs will grow to be useful members of Chicago bird society. — Chicago Tribune.

Aurora in the Arctic Region.

"The light was lessening day by day, though the beauty of this ice world did not wane. I think I never felt the strength, the glory, of silence so vividly as on the 26th of the month, standing on a rocky height above the bay. Across the heaven beautiful auroras streamed at frequent intervals in colors of faint orange, green and blue, scarcely dimming the myriads of brilliant stars that glittered in the deep blue vault, which lightened to turquoise at the horizon. Majestic cliffs, swept away across the bay, with its shadowy greenish-blue bays, all bathed in one shimmering veil of transparent gold from the light of the moon. In a silence that made the beating of the heart and the pulsation of the blood in the veins seem almost audible, I was suddenly attracted by a peculiar, occasional crackling sound. Presently the sound came very near, and, turning, I perceived a yellowish-white object, about three feet in length, steadily approaching. The little creature gradually crept about, until it passed about 15 feet away. As I had remained motionless, its curiosity led it to sit down upon its haunches and deliberately stare at me. Twice it seated itself, and then, crouching behind a boulder, peeped over the edge, until, satisfied or alarmed, it disappeared. It was an arctic fox.—Frank Wilbert Stokes, in July Century.

Smuggling a Mummy.

The removal of mummies from Egypt is strictly prohibited. But during his recent visit to that country, Rev. Dr. H. Allen Tupper, of Baltimore, managed, nevertheless, to get the mummy of a baby, said by the Bedouin Arab who sold it to him to be 4,200 years old. Dr. Tupper succeeded in smuggling the mummy out of the country by carrying it in his valise. — Chicago Tribune.

There are 322 varieties of wheat which have a botanical difference from each other, and a great many others whose differences are mostly in the name.

A miniature replica of the historic old mill at Old Salem is exhibited in a store window in Petersburg.

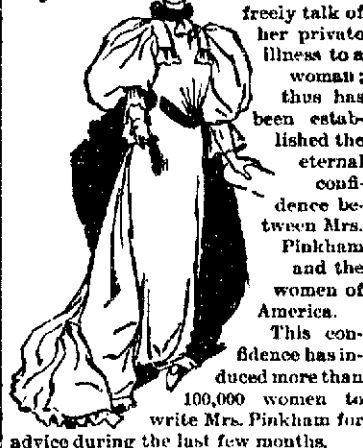
W. A. Stone, of Middletown, 83 years of age, received injuries in a runaway accident that may prove fatal. He was attempting to break a colt to drive to a cart.

Mrs. W. K. Jones, of Rocky Ford, Logan county, has raised a turkey which weighs 26 pounds in his foot ball clothes. He is less than 2 years old and is not fattened yet.

### AN INVITATION.

It Gives Us Pleasure to Publish the Following Announcement.

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## FASHION NOTES.

Stems of Dress for the Warm Weather  
Season.

The hat that is lifted right over the  
nose is the fashionable hat pro tem.

There is for the moment a great lik-  
ing for the bird of Paradise plumage,  
and on very expensive imported hats  
the entire bird appears. Even the  
plumage, however, of this bird is cost-  
ly, and there are really more imitations  
of the gracefully arching feathers than  
of the real upon hats of medium price.  
The rage for belts of every descrip-  
tion increases rather than lessens as  
the season advances. These belts are  
rivaled by the high empire corseture  
and such ribbons of various widths.  
Persian belts in gold woven galleon and  
linked patterns, of fine rolled gold, in  
medallion effects, are first choice to  
wear with round-waisted gowns made  
of elegant material, and belts of very  
elastic webbing are covered with  
spangles, so closely lapped that no mat-  
ter how much the belt is stretched in  
adjusting it, the webbing foundation is  
still covered with the glittering pail-  
lettes.

Rich Persian silk vests will be worn  
with stylish white costumes of Eng-  
lish serge, etamine, mohair, pique and  
canvases. Narrow white leather belts  
with gold buckles are worn with white  
yachting suits of alpaca, trimmed with  
white silk braid, with a piping of fine  
gold braid showing each side.

Novel and pretty flannels of heavy  
guipure lace are made with the back  
like a sailor collar, flat oblong capu-  
lettes on the shoulders, and straight  
scarf ends that reach half the length  
of the skirt when tied.

Among the dainty evening waists is  
one of Nile-green satin, draped with  
mousseline de sole, and worn with a  
skirt of dark-green brocade. The  
bretelles and corseture are of dark-  
green velvet, edged with pearl, opal  
and emerald bead gimp. Pink chiffon  
covered with silver-spangled black lace  
makes a pretty bodice. Plain white  
mousseline de sole collars with a nar-  
row border of black muslin hem-  
stitched on are decorated with cream  
applique lace designs, set on at inter-  
vals.

Two pretty souvenirs brought from  
Paris by a returned tourist who has  
been two years abroad consist of a  
buckle in the form of a tiny canoe with  
oars and anchor trailing over the side,  
and a lace-plum hat in gold the trident  
of Neptune. The center prong is  
studied with tiny sapphires and the  
others with pearls. These ornaments  
are to be worn with a yachting cos-  
tume of dark blue English serge,  
trimmed with rows of very narrow  
gold braid. The jacket and skirt are  
lined throughout with blue, cream  
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He is less than 2 years old and is not  
fattened yet.

W. A. Stone, of Middletown, 83 years  
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cident that may prove fatal. He was at-  
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ly paved, took therefrom a baby lobster  
as blue as the unclouded summer firm-  
ament. It was blue from the ends of  
its waving feelers to the tips of its brittle  
and seemingly translucent claws, and  
the tint was indescribably deep, deli-  
cate, and vivid. It was a picture in col-  
ors, that lobster was, of the ocean in its  
varying moods. The color of its back  
was so dark and dull that to a careless  
eye it seemed to be black, the hue of the  
sea before the outbreak of a storm;  
thence, by imperceptible gradations,  
the bluish tint was clarified and bright-  
ened and deepened along the lobster's  
sides and claws, so that the tips of the  
legs and the feelers were of a color as  
tender, vivid and clear as that of a  
wood flower, or old-fashioned china,  
or the sky on a June day.

In fact, it was so fragile looking that  
the fisherman half fancied it might be  
a china and not a shell lobster at all,  
and he brought it home into port as  
carefully as if he was tending a moth-  
erless kitten, and showed it to all the  
gizzled mariners along-shore, none of  
whom had ever seen a blue lobster be-  
fore. It was a nine days' wonder in  
one of the markets in town, but the  
blue lobster did not live so long, for  
a day or two after it was taken it went  
into somebody's pot, and somebody ate  
it, blue as it was. Two years later a  
second blue lobster was taken off the  
mouth of New London harbor, and later  
still a third one, all being chicken lob-  
sters and as delicately and beautifully  
tinted as the first comer of the singular  
family. About a year ago Capt. Sam  
Comstock, marketman of Norwich, lift-  
ing his pots in the sound, midway be-  
tween the Connecticut mainland and  
Fisher's Island, took from one a fourth  
blue fellow, a chicken, too; and in his  
market stall at Norwich he showed it  
to all the curious people of the town  
for three days. Then he boiled it in  
his huge lobster kettle, and it turned  
red in the pot like any plebeian and or-  
dinary lobster.

Meantime the Sun had printed several  
stories about the blue lobsters of Fish-  
er's Island sound, and Maine off-shore  
fishermen promptly reported that they  
too in the past five years had been  
catching blue lobsters just like the sin-  
gularly colored chickens from the Nut-  
ting and New York state waters. Be-  
fore the beginning of that period, they  
said, the most experienced veteran of  
Blue Tree state fishermen had never  
seen nor heard of a freak of the kind.  
Then the tin of blues seemed to end  
that fact by no means implies that the  
legitimacy of the lobster tribe in the  
way of turning out freaks has been ex-  
hausted. Not at all, for exhibit No. 2  
in the line of lobster freaks has just  
come to hand in this salt-water stained  
old harbor town. It was a yellow lob-  
ster, about as yellow as old gold or a  
marigold, or an October pumpkin in a  
New England cornfield. Every one  
who saw it said at once that, although  
not so delicately and ethereally beauti-  
ful, it was more freakish than any one  
of the celebrated blue family.

Like the blues, also, it was  
taken in these down east waters, not  
many miles outside of New London har-  
bor. The shell was of a bright or-  
ange color, legs, claws and all, and was  
evenly spotted over its entire surface  
with jet black. The combination was  
at once startling and handsome, and  
the lobster attracted much attention  
on account of its beauty. Lobster men  
say that it was the first of the kind  
they have ever seen.

Yet a more singular and picturesque  
bizarre, if less artistically beautiful,  
freak lobster turned up, coming from  
the same down east waters, just about  
a week ago. It was a pibald chap,  
with small polka dots all about its  
back and legs and claws, so that a New  
London expert graphically described it  
as a "leopard lobster," saying that, un-  
doubtedly, it is an albino, like the blue  
and orange lobsters, corresponding to  
albino men with now and then or-  
land, white crows, blackbirds, squir-  
rels and so on. N. Y. Sun.

A Grateful Dog.

One who has recently paid a visit to  
Guy's hospital tells that when in the  
colonnade of the institution and about  
to leave he became the object of demon-  
strative attention on the part of a  
small dog, Prince by name, as he after-  
ward ascertained. It seems that last  
winter Prince sustained a fracture of  
a hind leg, and, entirely on his own  
initiative, dragged himself into the hos-  
pital precincts and applied for surgical  
relief. It was granted ungrudgingly;  
the leg was put in plaster and the dog  
was given nursing and aliment suitable  
to his kind. In the fullness of time he  
was made a whole, if slightly lame,  
dog, and it was intimated to him that  
he might return to his former occupa-  
tion and friends (if any). He refused  
to do either, and enrolled himself as one  
of the innumerable army of grateful  
Guy's patients, electing to remain on  
the premises and give constant exhibi-  
tions of his veneration for all who  
come and go about the place of his  
healing. In this intention he insisted  
so amiably that he carried his point,  
and is now regarded as an established  
feature of the institution.—Westmin-  
ster Gazette.

In No Danger.

Mrs. Minks (severely)—George, there  
is an account in the paper about a busi-  
ness man leaving his wife and running  
off with a pretty type-writer girl.  
Mr. Minks—Indeed.  
"Yes; and it's the third account of the  
kind I've seen this week."  
"That doesn't interest me."  
"It does me. You have a pretty type-  
writer girl in your office."  
"No, we haven't. My partner eloped  
with her last week."—N. Y. Weekly.

—In nature there's no blemish but  
the mind; none can be called deformed  
but the unkind.—Shakespeare.

For Kidney Trouble

there is nothing better than Foley's  
Kidney Cure. Everyone who tries it  
will agree to this. Neider Drug and  
Supply Co. and N. L. Krone.

R. G. and C. H. Kiser, of Kaukaee,  
are preparing to build an elevator at  
Templeton, Ind., that will have a storage  
capacity of 300,000 bushels.

The old lady as a girl when she said,  
the child might die if they were for  
the doctor. She saved the life of the one's  
life with a few doses of One Minute  
Cough Cure. He had used it for croup  
before. A. J. Stoner & Son and Arm-  
strong Bros.

## PONDER FUM CANNONS.

A Mixture That Will Burn Slowly Is  
Necessary for Big Ordnance.

The great trouble with powder in can-  
non was soon found to be that it ex-  
erted all its force too suddenly, so that  
all the strain came on one end of the  
gun. When gunpowder is set on fire  
it turns suddenly into gas, and the gas  
needs about 300 times the space that  
the solid powder occupied. The explo-  
sion of ordinary gunpowder is so sud-  
den that for a moment that part of the  
gun around the powder charge has to  
hold the big volume of gas squeezed  
down under enormous pressure until  
the shot can make a start to get out of  
the gun and make room for the gas.  
If, therefore, gunpowder could be made  
which would burn a little slower, so  
that it would not all be burnt until the  
shot reached the muzzle, the gas would  
be more gradually formed and the  
strain be distributed all along the gun.  
Such a powder was first made in Ger-  
many, and was first called cocoa pow-  
der, because it resembled in color and  
general appearance a cake of chocolate.  
Its method of manufacture was kept se-  
cret, but other countries analyzed the  
grains and soon learned to make it even  
better than Germany. It is made par-  
tially by changing the proportions of the  
ingredients, making them about 79 per  
cent. saltpeter, three per cent. sulphur,  
and 18 per cent. charcoal, but mainly  
by using an inferior charcoal, thus also  
giving the powder its peculiar color.  
Thus there arose a division of gunpow-  
der into quick and slow-burning pow-  
ders.

It was not alone necessary to make  
a powder which would burn more slow-  
ly, but, if possible, make one burn so  
that more gas would be forming when  
the shot got near the muzzle, than was  
forming when it started from the  
breach, because there is more room be-  
hind the shot when it nears the muzzle,  
it therefore takes more gas to keep up  
the same pressure against its base.

To accomplish this, and to make the  
grains lie so that there should be spaces  
evenly distributed among them to allow  
the flame to reach every grain at once,  
causing all of them to begin burning to-  
gether, grains were made of regular  
shape, and each shape was tried to see  
how nearly it gave the desired re-  
sults. Thus there have been used  
round grains, square grains, spher-  
ical grains, cylindrical grains, and  
prismatic grains. Of course it is im-  
possible to make a grain which will  
have more and more surface to burn the  
smaller it gets, so the best result which  
has thus far been obtained is only an  
approach to it, and this is obtained with  
a hexagonal prismatic grain, about one  
inch high, and an inch and a half in di-  
ameter, with a hole, or several holes, through  
it.—L. J. John M. Elliott, in St. Nicholas.

FORTUNE AS A WEDDING GIFT.

What a Bride Received on the Occasion  
of Her Second Marriage.

The widow of the late Thomas C.  
Sloane was married to James L. Bar-  
clay under circumstances of a some-  
what romantic, almost dramatic, char-  
acter. Thomas C. Sloane was, 30 years  
ago, a student at Yale college and a  
member of a group of young students  
who had come from very wealthy fam-  
ilies. United States Senator Wetmore,  
of Rhode Island, was one of them,  
United States District Judge Colt was  
another; William P. Dixon, now a law  
partner of John E. Parsons, was another,  
as was Edmund Coffin, now a very  
prominent and wealthy citizen of  
Brooklyn. The intimacy of college  
days brought these fellow students into  
acquaintance each with the other's  
family, and thus it happened that an  
attachment sprang up between Miss  
Dixon, sister of Mr. Sloane's classmate,  
and Mr. Sloane.

There were other attractions be-  
tween sisters of the group of college  
chums and their companions. Miss  
Dixon, who was regarded at the time as  
perhaps the most beautiful young  
woman in New York, was married to  
Mr. Sloane soon after he was graduated,  
and their married life was ideal. Mr.  
Sloane died in 1892, leaving a fortune of  
nearly \$1,000,000, and settling a large  
income by his will upon Mrs. Sloane,  
but providing, however, in case of her  
remarriage, that she was to forfeit  
\$200,000. It probably was not so much  
the thought that in case she yielded to  
Mr. Barclay's wooing she would lose  
that amount of money as the remem-  
brance of her ideal life with her hus-  
band that caused her for a long time  
to withstand Mr. Barclay's urging.  
But she at last, nearly four years after  
the death of her husband, gave her  
hand to this persistent suitor, who is  
himself a man of large wealth, fine  
business capacity and the highest char-  
acter. At the wedding among the other  
presents was a renunciation or return  
to Mrs. Barclay of \$200,000, given by  
the person named in Mr. Sloane's will  
as entitled to receive that sum in case  
Mrs. Sloane remarried. It was a touch-  
ing tribute of affection and respect and  
a silent witness of the propriety and  
justification of the second marriage of  
this beautiful woman to a most worthy  
man.—Philadelphia Press.

An Interesting Sight.

One of the most interesting sights in  
New York is the crowd of home-comers  
as they pour down the gang plank of  
an ocean liner. Even the solitary bach-  
elors of other cities, who arrive  
unwelcomed, are affected by the semi-  
hysterics of the girls who have troops  
of friends to meet them. At the cry of  
"passengers ashore" they come down  
to the dock with a huge grin of satis-  
faction stretching all around their  
faces. The steamship dock is a good  
place to study temperament. The man  
who can retain his air of indifference is  
the exception. Even the most re-  
served in the rush and bustle of the  
crowd throws out of his frigidity.—Cal-  
cago Chronicle.

Where It Shows.

"Those Flashlys remind me of a pair  
of turtles."  
"Why so?"  
"Because about everything they have  
on their backs."—Up to Date.

Your Boy Won't Live a Month.

So Mr. William Brown, of 34 Mill St.,  
South Gardner, Mass., was told by the  
doctors. His son had lung trouble, fol-  
lowing typhoid malaria, and he spent  
three hundred dollars in vain with the  
doctors, who finally gave him up, say-  
ing: "Your boy won't live a month."  
He tried Dr. King's New Discovery and  
a few bottles restored him to health and  
enabled him to go to work a perfectly  
well man. He says he owes his present  
good health to use of Dr. King's New  
Discovery, and knows it to be the best  
in the world for lung trouble. At  
Webb's drug store.

## X-mas

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Ties,

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My aim is to convince the public of my

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Office of "KIDNEY CURE"  
Kaukaee, Wis., Dec. 12, 1892

I believe it my duty to write  
a line to regard to the beneficial effect of the  
"Four-C Remedy," so far as I am personally  
concerned. A week ago last Thursday, I was  
with a severe attack of grippe and in a  
time became so hoarse I could not speak abo  
whisper. The night previous I had con  
nearly the entire night, just before retiring I  
a teaspoonful, and slept the entire night as we  
as I did in my life, not coughing once. I  
entirely relieved before taking any bottle of  
Cough, Cold and Croup Cure should be in ev  
household in the land. I send you this li  
solicited by anyone, for you are benefactor  
the race in giving it the antidote for some of  
most afflictions to which it is heir.

Very Truly Yours,  
C. J. NEARBY, Editor

A MIRACLE.

Kaukaee, Wis., Dec. 24,

Last Friday, Dec. 19, my attending phys

and unless I was better by morning I wou  
do nothing for my relief. That night I  
trousered taking Philip's "Four-C" remedy, s  
all other medicines. The first dose sleepi  
cough, sleep and rested well a few more d  
troubled all summer from my lungs; the se  
day I was up; the third day I was out of  
troubled today was up and feeling fine.  
Kaukaee, Wis., Dec. 24, 1892

Miss JENNIE HARRIS,  
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CROUP CURED.

One dose of Philip's Cough, Cold and C

Cure, gave my child instant relief when attac

with the croup.

W. E. MOORE, of Moore Bros., Grocers

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We relined and repair Seal  
Coats and Capes and Muffs of  
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KING'S DRUG STORE,  
Cor. Main and Water Sts.

## LOCAL NEWS.

Guthrie's Candy at Bell's Drug Store.  
Baby cough syrup at Irwin's.  
Use Irwin's perfect tooth powder.  
Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

Books at cut prices at Saxton's book store.

You pay a little more for Sleeth's por-  
traits but—  
Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made  
by Jacob Koek.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of  
bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 23-dtd

Use Irwin's fragrant toilet cream for  
chapped hands.

Assignee's sale of fine art goods at  
Library Art Store. 19-46

The largest line of fancy Hottled Per-  
fumery at Bell's Drug Store.

Gift books, dairy bindings, at 25c at  
Saxton's book store.

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent-  
er, made by John Weigand. Moh 25 tf.

Sleeth is the only photographer in the  
city who guarantees satisfaction.

The old reliable K & W cigars are made  
by John Weigand. Moh 25-dtd.

The gift letters are on many of the  
windows in the Powers office building.

The Grand Army post meeting will be  
held tonight. It will be inspection night.

Tender roast beef with brown gravy  
served at noon daily at Singleton's restau-  
rant.—Oct 23tf

Get your Christmas Candles of  
Carmichael.

Prof. Leonard will direct a fashionable  
dancing party at (Gibson City on Thurs-  
day night.

Bibles at lower prices than ever, 25c,  
30c, 50c, 75c and up at Saxton's Book  
Store.

The members of the Modern Woodman  
band will go to Clinton tomorrow to play  
in a band concert.

The women's exchange in the Library  
block will be closed on Christmas day but  
will be open until 9 o'clock the night be-  
fore.

A woman named Sheridan was arrested  
last night for drunkenness. She was in  
the city prison all night. This morning  
a man came, paid her fine, and took her  
away.

After the holidays it is expected that  
the Fortnightly club will reorganize for a  
series of gay dancing parties at Guard's  
Armory.

The probabilities are that there will be  
no snow on Christmas. Some fell last  
night, just enough to barely whiten the  
surface of the earth.

Invitations to the marriage of Govern-  
or elect John R. Tanner and Miss Eng-  
lish, have been received by Mr. and Mrs.  
Arthur C. Rice.

New upright pianos \$225, \$250, \$275  
and \$300. A good upright piano, slight-  
ly used, for \$185 on payments. Call and  
select for Christmas. Prescott, music  
house.—dec 7 dtd

Miss Ann Miller will vacate the room  
in the Universalist church property she  
has occupied so long as a millinery store.  
There is a card up advertising the room  
for rent.

The St. Louis papers today are silent  
as to Miss Nellie Coleman and her treat-  
ment in that city by Col Ray Simpson  
and other parties. Very likely the police  
authorities are looking into the facts.  
They ought to do so.

It is the purpose of Mr. and Mrs. Frank  
H. Hall to spend six months or longer in  
California. Mr. Hall having sold his  
newspaper property at Keneshaw, Wis. He  
says he will take a rest from all business  
cares for at least a year. He still retains  
his interest in the Chicago printing house  
with which he became connected soon  
after he left Decatur some years ago.

Dolls.

Our line of dolls is the talk of the town.  
You can buy them from 10c to \$5. No  
such value shown anywhere as we give  
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E. D. Bartholomew Co.

Girls' Books.

By Carey, Maude, Young and other best  
writers; regular \$1 books for 50c at Sax-  
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Lamps and Chimes.

Large variety, newest, showiest and  
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JOHN SCHWEITZER AGAIN.

Another Row at His Home—He Wanted  
His Revolver.

The home of John Schweitzer in the  
Fourth ward was the scene of another do-  
mestic disturbance. It was of such a  
noisy and apparently dangerous charac-  
ter that somebody called the police and  
the patrol wagon went after John and  
landed him in the city prison. The offi-  
cers did not make any special efforts to  
get at the details of the row last night.  
All they knew was that John Schweitzer  
was in the midst of the disturbance, and  
as Mrs. Schweitzer said she would come  
up town today and make a complaint  
against her husband, he was hustled  
away. Then peace was restored. Com-  
ing up town in the wagon John said his  
son was the cause of all the trouble. He  
had come home drunk and then came the  
quarrel and the noise. Schweitzer is the  
man who last spring had a violent quar-  
rel with his wife and was put under bonds  
to keep the peace for six months. The  
time is out.

Wanted His Revolver.

When arrested last spring Schweitzer  
had a revolver. The officers took posses-  
sion of the weapon and kept it. A few  
days ago Schweitzer stopped Marshal  
Mason on the street and asked him to  
give him back the revolver. The mar-  
shal refused to do so, and John went  
away grumbling. The officer thought it  
singular that the man should want the  
gun. He does not think that Schweitzer  
would be a safe party with any kind of a  
deadly weapon.

ANNUAL MEETING.

Board of Directors Will Come Together  
To-Night to Hear Reports of the  
Year's Work.

The annual meeting of the board of di-  
rectors of the Y. M. C. A. will hold their  
annual meeting this evening at the as-  
sociation rooms. Reports from the differ-  
ent departments will be given showing the  
work accomplished during the past year.  
There will be a number of new directors  
to elect. Three vacancies caused by the  
resignation of J. S. Blecknell, A. H. Mills  
and J. O. Spencer, are to be filled, and the  
terms of office of the following members  
will also expire: E. P. Irving, J. E. Will-  
is, J. Edward Saxton, Elmer C. Wood  
and C. S. Goshert. It is probable that  
some of those will be re-elected.

General Secretary Woodford will make  
a report which will show that the past  
year has been quite a good one with the  
association. The membership has fallen  
off some on account of the hard times but  
in other respects the year has been one of  
the best. The association is slightly be-  
hind but by the end of the year the ac-  
counts will probably come out even. Many  
improvements have been made and  
some money paid on old debts.

REMAINS CREMATED.

Ashes of Charles Rosen to be Scattered to  
the Winds May 23.

A press telegram from St. Louis states  
that from the middle span of the Eads  
bridge the ashes of Charles Rosen will be  
scattered to the winds. This remarkable  
program was mapped out by Rosen some  
time before his death on Dec. 13. It is  
to be carried out on May 23 next. He  
was in his 70th year when death came to  
him. On Dec. 16 his remains were indicat-  
ed by the Missouri Crematory association.  
The decedent's son, Richard O.  
Rosen, an architect of Decatur, Ill., was  
at St. Louis to attend the cremation.

He gave out the information that his  
father had left a will directing that on  
his 71st birthday—May 23 next—his ashes  
shall be carried to the Eads bridge in the  
urn in which they shall have meanwhile  
reposed. That the funeral vessel is to be  
opened and its contents given over to the  
winds.

Slaughter sale of fine pictures at  
Library Art Store. 19-46

Wedding Ahead.

Bloomington Pantograph: Cards are  
out for the marriage of Miss Nellie M.  
Garver, daughter of Hon. S. B. Garver to  
Mr. Charles E. Robinson at Farmer City.  
The wedding will take place at the home  
of the bride-elect on the evening of Dec.  
30. The bride has a large circle of friends  
in Bloomington.

Miss Garver has many relatives in Ma-  
con and Platt counties and all will wish  
her joy.

For Christmas Decoration.

I have a class of holly and holly wreaths  
and roping and all kinds of cut flowers  
unsurpassed at lowest prices in city. N.  
Bommersbach.—22-42

About the first of the year there will be  
general changing of the doctors' offices in  
this city. A large number of the physi-  
cians will move their offices. Many will  
go into the new Powers building and oth-  
ers will move to different parts of town.

Christmas Candles.

Carmichael can furnish you with the  
freest of Xmas candles. He also has  
holly and evergreens in abundance.—18-47

The gentleman serving on the jury in  
the county court put in their time wait-  
ing for the lawyers to get ready to go to  
trial. They have to be in calling dis-  
tance. Some of the jurymen linger in  
the court room all day.

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Attention, No. 26, U. S. N. K. of P.

You are hereby ordered to appear at  
your armory on this evening, Dec. 23, to  
make arrangements to take part in the  
dedication ceremonies of our new castle  
hall. By order of A. T. Grist, S. K.  
Com., F. O. Damrow, S. K. Rec.

New Made for the Band.

The members of Goodman's Band and  
orchestra have invested in \$45 worth of  
new music and last night the musicians  
began familiarizing themselves with the  
new selections. In a short time the peo-  
ple will be regaled with the latest music.

A Flying Trip.

Engine 588, Engineer C. G. Whipple,  
Fireman Dave Inman on the Walnut fast  
mail train No. 1, ran from Decatur to  
East St. Louis, a distance of 111 miles in  
116 minutes. The train consisted of four  
cars and made the usual stops and slow  
downs.

The Wellington Hotel Deal.

It is expected that the sale of the Hotel  
Wellington property by A. Walt, men-  
tioned last evening, will go through.  
Thomas Gary values the hotel corner at  
\$32,000 and it is stated that Charles Laux  
has offered \$10,000 cash for the first forty  
feet south of the St. Nicholas hotel build-  
ing. Mr. Walt is ready to take the Mis-  
souri farm of 900 acres at \$50,000. Mr.  
Gary is getting ready to close up the deal.

Christmas Services.

Special services will be held at St. Pat-  
rick's Catholic church on Christmas day.  
There will be solemn high mass at 5:30  
o'clock, with Very Rev. Father P. J.  
Maekin as celebrant. At this service  
there will be music by a special choir.  
There will be low mass at 8 o'clock and  
at 10 o'clock solemn high mass will be  
celebrated by Rev. Father Brady and a  
sermon will be delivered by Father  
Maekin.

Will Issue a Monthly Paper.

Rev. J. Bedford Jones, rector of All  
Angels' church, this city, has been elect-  
ed managing editor of a monthly Episco-  
pal church paper soon to be issued, with  
Bishop Seymour as chief editor. The pa-  
per will go into the homes of every mem-  
ber of the Episcopal church in the  
Springfield diocese and under the guid-  
ance of Rector Jones who has had consid-  
erable experience in newspaper work, will  
no doubt wield considerable influence for  
good in this and other communities.

The Latest Inventions.

List of patents granted to Illinois in-  
ventors this week. Reported by C. A.  
Snow & Co., solicitors of American and  
foreign patents, opposite United States  
patent office, Washington, D. C.:

E. H. Amet, Waukegan, talking ma-  
chine apparatus; G. A. Bell, Sandwich,  
smoke consuming furnace; J. H. Brun-  
ner, Peoria, binder; M. T. Chapman,  
Aurora, pump; R. J. Chavez, Pana, ap-  
paratus for producing ornamental sur-  
faces; O. A. Comstock, Amboy, head-  
light; C. M. Crook, Elgin, self-winding  
mechanism for electric clocks; B. M. Du-  
via, Uorla, combined door closer and  
stop; J. H. Drobisch, Decatur, bonus de-  
termining device; W. E. Haight, New  
Milford, necktie center; J. T. Ham-  
monds, Lebanon, apparatus to hold yarn  
skeins; W. H. Hanna, Petersburg, needle  
thread for sewing machines; A. L. Hen-  
rich, Glendale, device for washing forms;  
J. H. Knapp, Pearl City, device for hold-  
ing screws, A. Kelder, Chicago Heights,  
carriage top connection; J. H. Janssen,  
Stratford, washing machine; P. Mundi,  
Broadwell, valve gear for engines; B. N.  
Robbey, Champigny, mandolin; M. C.  
Richards, Aurora, door hanger; R. C.  
Snyder, Colfax, bake pan; D. A. Syme,  
Elmhurst, tool for repairing pneumatic  
tires; R. Taggart, Decatur, fan attach-  
ment for rocking chairs; J. W. White,  
Lincoln, corn harvester; J. L. Wicks, Pat-  
terson, brake shoe; T. A. Zellers, Ottawa,  
conveyor for carrying glass from flatten-  
ing ovens.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Walter P. McDonald has returned from  
Owosso.

George Ennis is visiting friends in  
Springfield.

W. R. Buckmaster and son Ed are in  
Chicago on business.

C. O. Judson is quite ill at his home  
on North Union street.

Rev. D. F. Howe went to Charleston,  
Ill., this morning on business.

Alderman G. A. Ahrens went to Mil-  
waukee last night on a business trip.

E. S. Roe and wife left this morning  
for Mobile, Ala., where they will visit.

O. B. Gordin and Joe McClelland were  
in Hammond today on a business trip.

Mrs. M. V. Lonergan has gone to  
Kinney, Ill., where she will visit friends.

Miss Grace Gilmore went to Monticello  
this morning to visit friends for a few  
days.

Rev. J. Bedford Jones, rector of All  
Angels' church, will go to Springfield  
tomorrow.

Mrs. J. M. Gray went to Bunker Hill,  
Ill., yesterday to visit her parents till  
after Christmas.

Miss Clara Shoaff, who has been visit-  
ing Mrs. Walter F. Coladay, has re-  
turned to her home in Danville.

Dr. C. M. Wood has returned home  
from Chicago where he was called on  
account of the illness of a friend.

Mrs. Dr. Clarence Sherrick and children  
of Monmouth, Ill., are in the city  
visiting Mrs. Elizabeth Sherrick on North  
Edward street.

Donald, the son of Rev. and Mrs. D.  
R. MacGregor, is dangerously ill of  
diphtheria at the family home on  
North College street.

George Ennis and Miss Scott of Decatur,  
were at Springfield last night to at-  
tend the second assembly ball given at  
the Leland hotel. There were about 150  
guests present.

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